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Serial No. 10/563,923 Amendment in Reply to Office Action of September 5, 2007

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2007. Reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the amendments made above and the remarks to follow are respectfully requested.

The Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-22 are allowed.

In the Office Action, the drawings are objected to for failing to functionally label certain elements in the drawings. The Applicants respectfully disagree. However, without agreeing with the position forwarded in the Office Action, and merely because the application is indicated as otherwise in condition for allowance, a copy of replacement FIGs. 3, 4, 7 and 10 are submitted herein for the Examiner's approval, including labels requested in the Office Action.

It is respectfully submitted that the Applicants have to the best of their abilities attempted to comply with each of the issues raised regarding the drawings and accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the drawings are in proper form and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

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By means of the present amendment, the Abstract has been amended for better clarity and conformance to U.S. practice, such as removing terminology such as "means". It is respectfully submitted that the Abstract is in proper form and an indication to that effect is respectfully requested.

Applicants have made a diligent and sincere effort to place this application in condition for immediate allowance and notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Four (4) replacement drawing sheets including replacement FIGs. 3, 4, 7 and 10

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